



Attorney Docket No.: P-4739-US

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS: Moutsatos I. et al.  
SERIAL NO.: 09/148,234 EXAMINER: Leffers, G.  
FILED: September 4, 1998 ART UNIT: 1636  
FOR: GENETICALLY ENGINEERED CELLS, WHICH EXPRESS  
BONE MORPHOGENIC PROTEINS

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is filed in connection with the above-identified Application. A response to the June 15, 2004 Office Action finally rejecting the claims in connection with the above-identified Application was due September 15, 2004. A Notice of Appeal was submitted on November 24, 2004. An Appeal Brief was due January 24, 2005. Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition requesting a Five Month Extension of time, including the required fee. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject Application as follows: